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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6389 NOTE PREPARED: Dec 15, 2011

BILL NUMBER: SB 193 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Financial Disclosures by Local Elected Officials.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Arnold BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> The bill requires a candidate for a local or school board office to file a statement of economic interests with the candidate's declaration of candidacy, petition of nomination, declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate, or certificate of candidate selection. The bill requires an individual who fills a vacancy in an elected local or school board office to file a statement of economic interests not later than noon 60 days after the individual assumes the office.

Effective Date: January 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The State Election Commission would be required by the bill to prescribe the form of the economic interest statement.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Filing of local office economic interest statements would increase the amount of paperwork a circuit court clerk would have to process each election cycle. However, candidates for local offices and school board must already file declarations of candidacy, petitions of nomination, and certain other documents with the clerk's office when running for that office. The impact on the workload of the clerk's office would depend on the number of candidates filing the additional paperwork required by the bill.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Election Commission.

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Local Agencies Affected: County clerk.

Information Sources:

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